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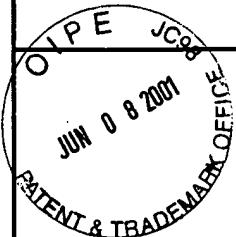
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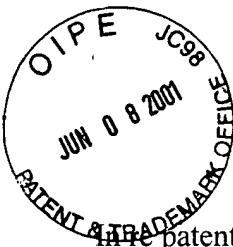
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97-1.98 the Applicants hereby submit:

(a) the attached list of prior art, which in the reasonable opinion of Applicants may be material to patentability of the claimed invention, within the meaning of 37 C.F.R. 1.56 and/or which has been cited in the Search Report prepared by the European Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application;

(b) a copy of the Search Report, which is attached for the U.S. Examiner to know the first opinion of the European Examiner and the portions of the references found pertinent by the Examiner; and

(c) a copy of the references cited.

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With respect to the foreign patent reference which is not in the English language, it is submitted that:

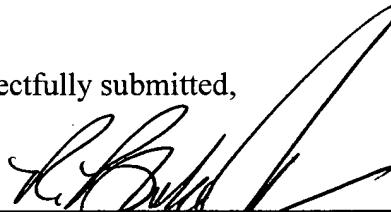
- no US counterpart has been detected for German reference DE 29719744 is believed that the drawings therein are sufficient to illustrate the relevance of the reference.

The Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action. Applicant believes no fee is due at this time.

If any fees are owed in connection with this communication, please charge Deposit Account No. 18-2284. (A duplicate copy of this communication is enclosed for that purpose.)

Consideration and citation of the references are respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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		2,493,868	01/10/50	Griffin			
		4,044,462	08/03/77	Anselmo			
		5,472,087	12/05/95	Rink et al.			
		5,201,892	04/13/93	Salter			
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
REF	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	Translation	
						YES	NO
	GB 2300183	10/30/96	Great Britain				
	DE 29719744	02/26/98	Germany				✓
	JP 56077042	06/25/81	Japan				
	WO 9528242	10/26/95	WIPO				
OTHER DOCUMENTS <i>(Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)</i>							
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